

October 4, 2015

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Location Code: GKMTW065

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Durango, CO 81303

Re: Groundwater Well Sampling Results

Dear (b) (6)

Due to an administrative error the test results for your well water were transmitted with the incorrect map. We apologize for this error and are resending your results with the correct map. Please use this results package instead of the previous package.

Thank you for participating in the private drinking water well sampling conducted by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in coordination with the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) and the San Juan Basin Health Department (SJBHD).

This letter provides the results for the water samples collected from your private water well. The water sample(s) were submitted to, and analyzed by, a private certified laboratory for the metals that could have been present in water from the Gold King Mine release.

The test results for your well water were compared to the National Drinking Water Standards, otherwise known as the Maximum Contaminant Levels (MCLs). The results of the analysis are provided in the enclosed table. Though these standards are intended for the evaluation of public water systems and therefore, do not apply to private domestic water wells such as yours, we have included the enclosed table so that you may compare the results with the Drinking Water Standards. None of these metals were present in the water sample(s) collected from your property above a level of concern for human health exposure.

EPA has also established National Secondary Drinking Water Regulations that set non-mandatory water quality standards for 15 contaminants. EPA does not enforce these "secondary maximum contaminant levels" (MCLs). They are established only as guidelines to assist public water systems in managing their drinking water for aesthetic considerations, such as taste, color and odor. These contaminants are not considered to present a risk to human health at the secondary maximum contaminant level. None of these metals were present in the water sample(s) collected from your property above MCLs.

The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment recommends using the Water Quality Interpretation Tool created by Colorado State University in collaboration with the Colorado Water Institute to get more information regarding the metals examined in your well. The Water Quality Interpretation Tool is available online at https://erams.com/wqtool/.

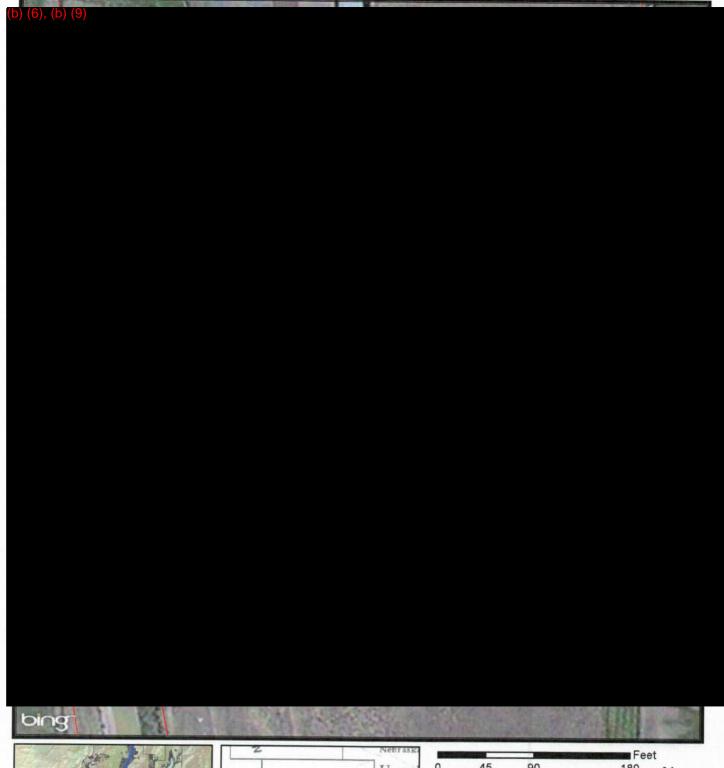
We greatly appreciate your cooperation in the collection process, and thank you for your patience while the sample was analyzed. If you have any further questions, please contact Dr. Deborah McKean at (303) 579-4371.

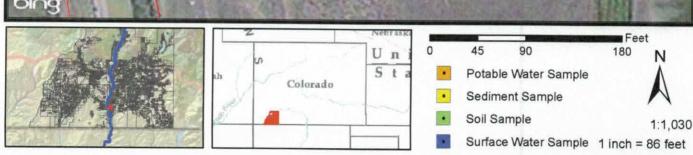
Sincerely,

US Environmental Protection Agency, Region 8

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Analyte Metals, Total		Location ID Sample ID Sample Date Sample time Latitude Longitude				GKMTW065 GKMTW065_081815 8/18/2015 12:35 (b) (6), (b) (9)
		CAS NO	Units	Colorado Water Standard	EPA MCL	Sub Location Outdoor spigot no treat Lab Result
Aluminum	A,B	7429-90-5	ug/L	5000	200	24 U
Antimony		7440-36-0	ug/L	6	6	0.4 U
Arsenic		7440-38-2	ug/L	10	10	0.37 U
Barium		7440-39-3	ug/L	2000	2000	74
Beryllium		7440-41-7	ug/L	4	4	0.15 U
Cadmium		7440-43-9	ug/L	5	5	0.043 U
Calcium		7440-70-2	ug/L			120000
Chromium		7440-47-3	ug/L	100	100	1 U
Cobalt	Α	7440-48-4	ug/L	50		0.12 U
Copper	A	7440-50-8	ug/L	200	1300	4.3
Iron	A,B	7439-89-6	ug/L	5000	300	17 U
Lead	A	7439-92-1	ug/L	100	15	0.19 J
Magnesium		7439-95-4	ug/L			23000
Manganese	A,B	7439-96-5	ug/L	200	50	1.2 U
Mercury		7439-97-6	ug/L	2	2	0.08 ∪
Molybdenum		7439-98-7	ug/L			0.45 U
Nickel	Α	7440-02-0	ug/L	200		1
Potassium		7440-09-7	ug/L			2200 J+
Selenium		7782-49-2	ug/L	50	50	6.6
Silver	В	7440-22-4	ug/L		100	0.1 U
Sodium		7440-23-5	ug/L			46000
Thallium		7440-28-0	ug/L	2	2	0.1 U
Vanadium	Α	7440-62-2	ug/L	100		0.3 U
Zinc	A,B	7440-66-6	ug/L	2000	5000	2.8 U

A- CDPHE Agricultural Standards (Jan. 2013)

B- EPA Secondary MCL (May 2009)

J+= The result is an estimated quantity, but the result may be biased high.

F1 = MS and/or MSD Recovery is outside acceptance limits.

U = The analyte was analyzed for, but was not detected above the level of the reported sample quantitation limit.

J = Result is less than the RL but greater than or equal to the MDL and the concentration is an approximate value.

J- = The result is an estimated quantity, but the result may be biased low.

UJ = The material was analyzed for, but was not detected. The associated value is an estimate and may be inaccurate or imprecise UJB = The analyte was detected in the sample below the reporting limit and in either the associated laboratory blank or field blank; the analyte result was reported as non-detected at the RL due to blank contamination. The reported quantitation limit is approximate and may or may not represent the actual limit of quantitation necessary to accurately and precisely measure the analyte in the sample UB = The analyte was detected in the sample below the Reporting Limit (RL) and in either the associated laboratory blank or field blank; the analyte result was reported as non-detected at the RL due to blank contamination.

R = Reported value is "rejected." The sample results are rejected due to serious deficiencies in meeting QC criteria. The data are unusable. The analyte may or may not be present in the sample.

HF = Field parameter with a holding time of 15 minutes. Test performed by laboratory at client's request.

^{* =} The result exceeds maximum contaminant level

ug/L - Parts per billion (micrograms per liter)



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HOW TO FILE A CLAIM

EPA is committed to taking responsibility for the impacts to communities affected by the Gold King Mine Release.

To file a claim for monetary compensation, please visit the Region 8 Gold Mine Release Incident website: http://www2.epa.gov/goldkingmine

Complete the fillable PDF version of the Standard Form 95: http://www2.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2015-08/documents/standardform95 4.pdf

Email the signed Standard Form 95 to: R8 GKM Claims@epa.gov

Or mail the Standard Form 95 to the following contacts:

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